

ATTENTION ALL NDE PORTAL USERS:

Please log onto your portal accounts and go to the “My Profile” tab and check to make sure your contact information (**especially the email address**) is up to date. It is very important to keep this information updated as the Department of Education uses the email address that is in the users’ Portal account to send vital information. Thank you!!



New PowerSchool ADVISER Google Group

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Attention PowerSchool Public School Districts. The VST team has set up a Nebraska PowerSchool ADVISER google group. This group will be the primary way that you will receive information/announcements that are specific to PowerSchool regarding ADVISER such as updates, known issues, fixes, available trainings etc. We would like at least one person from each PowerSchool district to be a member of the group. In the next few weeks you may receive an invite to join, please accept. You can also ask to join by clicking on the following link <https://groups.google.com/d/forum/powerschooladviser> that will take you to the group page where you can click on the ***Apply for Membership*** Link. You need to be signed in to your Google account to see this link.



Assessment & Accountability Key Dates

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Public and Special Purpose Schools Only

Below are key dates for the release of Accountability for a Quality Education System, Today and Tomorrow (AQuESTT) and Nebraska Student-Centered Assessment System (NSCAS) data. Published data elements can be found on the Nebraska Education Profile (NEP), the Nebraska Department of Education’s one-stop education data website. For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/2019nep>.

August 5, 2019	Printed NSCAS Alternate Individual Student Reports (ISRs) delivered to districts
August 12-20, 2019	NSCAS District Preliminary Data Clean-up Window
August 30, 2019	Printed NSCAS ACT Individual Student Reports (ISRs) delivered to districts
September 25, 2019 (Secure Release)	Assessment Performance, Attendance, Participation, Demographics, and AQuESTT Raw Classification data published to the NEP Secure Portal (district view only, not public), district data validity verification
September 27, 2019	Notification of Evidence-based Analysis (EBA) adjustment-eligible schools

October 9, 2019 (Public Release)	Full Data Profile and Snapshot published on NEP with AQuESTT Classification and Assessment data (full public view)
October 14, 2019	Evidence-based Analysis (EBA) evidence due to NDE (for adjustment-eligible schools)
October 15-November 1, 2019	Review of Evidence-based Analysis (EBA) evidence
October 21-25, 2019	Printed <i>NSCAS General</i> Individual Student Reports (ISRs) delivered to districts
November 27, 2019 (Public Release)	Final AQuESTT Classifications, including EBA adjustments, published on the NEP



Nebraska Education Profile (NEP) Data Element Release Dates

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Public Schools Only

Below are the data element release dates for the 2019 Nebraska Education Profile (NEP). The NEP provides information and data about Nebraska public schools and student performance. The majority of Nebraska education data for the 2019-2020 school year will be released to the public via the NEP on October 9, 2019. Schools and districts can preview most data elements on September 25, 2019, ahead of the public release, through the NEP Secure collection, located in the NDE Portal under the Data Collections tab. (An activation code is required.) For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/2019nep>.

Data Element	NEP Secure	NEP Public
AQuESTT Classification		
AQuESTT Classification	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
AQuESTT Classification for EBA-Adjustment Eligible Schools	--	11/27/2019
Education Technology		
District Tech Profile	--	10/09/2019
Snapshot & Full Data Profile		
Demographics		
Membership/Race Ethnicity	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
Teacher/Race Ethnicity	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
Teacher Experience	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC)	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
Program Participation		
English Learners	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
Free & Reduced Lunch	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
High Ability Learners (Gifted)	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
Special Education	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
Special Education Performance Part B	06/15/2020	06/15/2020
Metrics		
Attendance Rates	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
Dropout Rates	11/27/2019	11/27/2019
Performance		
NSCAS ACT	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
NSCAS ELA/Math/Science	09/25/2019	10/09/2019

EDPA 21	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
Results Matter Gold	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
National Assessment Instrument (NAI)	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
Achievement		
Graduation Cohort Rates	11/27/2019	11/27/2019
College-going Rates	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
Financial		
State Aid/Finance/Per Pupil Cost	02/01/2020	02/01/2020
Mobility		
School Mobility/Highly Mobile	11/27/2019	11/27/2019
ESSA		
ESSA Inexperienced Educators/Provisional	09/25/2019	10/09/2019
ESSA Out-of-Field Teachers	11/27/2019	11/27/2019



2019-20 ESSA Consolidated Application – OPEN: July 31 – DUE: September 12

Contact: The ESSA Reviewer for your District/ESU

The ESSA Consolidated Application for 2019-20 is now available in the GMS System (<https://nde.mtwtgms.org/NDEGMSWebv02/logon.aspx>) and is due to NDE by September 12. The grants include 2019-20 current funds plus 2018-19 reallocation funds for some grants. These amounts are available on the Allocations page and districts will be required to budget the entire amount that appears on the budget pages, If the application for the district is approved prior to October 1, only a portion of the funds will appear on the Grant Award Notification (GAN) for Title I-A and Title II-A. This is because a portion of the funds are received on July 1 and the remainder on October 1. When the entire allocation becomes available, the GANs will be regenerated and the entire amount will then be included in the GAN.

Contact information for the 2019-20 ESEA/ESSA Reviewers is listed below.

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2019-2020 SPED Planning Region Team (PRT) Grant – DUE: August 1

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The 2019-2020 SPED Planning Region Team (PRT) Grant application is open in the GMS. Due to NDE **August 1**



2019-2020 High Ability Learners Collection – OPENS: August 1 – DUE: August 31

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Public Schools Only

The 2019-2020 High Ability Learners Collection will open on **August 1** under the **Data Collections** tab in the NDE Portal website. The High Ability Learners reports are due on or before **August 31**. The collection audit window closes on September 14.



Summer School Supplement (CDC collection) – OPEN: August 1 – DUE: August 15

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or ADVISERHelp@nebraskacloud.org)

Public Schools Only

The Summer School Supplement will open in the CDC on August 1. This collection is due on **August 15** with the audit window from **August 16 through August 31**. At the end of each regular school term the Nebraska Department of Education collects the attendance data for each school district in Nebraska. State total ADA is reported to the U.S. Department of Education and is used in formulas for allocating federal entitlement for Title 1, Impact Aid, Indian Education and other federal programs.



Special Education Financial Reporting System (SPEDFRS)

Contact: Lori Adams (402-471-2637 or lori.adams@nebraska.gov)

Public Schools and ESU's Only

A “new” Special Education Financial Reporting system called **Special Education Financial Reporting System (SPEDFRS)** is being implemented for **2018-2019** to report final expenditure information per Rule 51. The collection will be located in the NDE Portal under the **Data Collection** tab. An activation code would be required to access this collection.

This system combines final financial reporting for SPED Birth to Age Five, SPED School Age and SPED Transportation. The due date for this combined data collection is October 31 with an anticipated available date of **September 23**. More information to come.



District Curriculum Contact Information – OPEN: August 1 – DUE: September 15

Contact: Cory Epler (402-471-3240 or cory.epler@nebraska.gov)

Public Schools, Special Purpose Schools and ESU's

Using the District Curriculum Contact Information form, located under the **Data Collections** tab in the NDE Portal, select **District Curriculum Contact Information** to provide contact information for up to three curriculum contacts. (An activation code is required.) Information that has been submitted previously should be checked

for accuracy. The curriculum contacts are the primary contact for information related to standards, instruction, and instructional materials (curriculum, interventions, etc.)

Curriculum Contacts are those individuals that have an understanding of curricula/instructional materials being used by the school district, coordinate curricula/instructional materials selection processes for the school district, and ultimately have responsibility for the implementation of curricula/instructional materials being used.



Instructional Materials Data Collection – OPEN: August 1 – DUE: September 15

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Public Schools, Special Purpose Schools and Rule 18's

The purpose of the Instructional Materials Data Collection is to gather more information about the most commonly used instructional materials in Nebraska. These data will ensure all students have an opportunity to learn from high-quality, standards-aligned instructional materials and help inform curricula-specific professional learning. The **Instructional Materials Data Collection** is located in the NDE Portal under the **Data Collections** tab. (An activation code is required.)

This data collection should be completed by district staff that have knowledge of the instructional materials used by the school district for K-12 English Language Arts, K-12 mathematics, and K-8 science. Respondents will be asked to report instructional materials for the following grade bands: K-2, 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12 (ELA and mathematics only) and the year in which the instructional materials were adopted. In addition, districts will be asked to indicate the primary assessment used to determine if a student has a reading deficiency (per the Reading Improvement Act).



2019-2020 ADVISER Calendar Available on the ADVISER Resources Website

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or ADVISERHelp@nebraskacloud.org)

The 2019-2019 ADVISER Calendar is available on the [ADVISER Resources](#) website. Please review the calendar for opening and due dates for Fall 2019 reporting. Please review carefully the “2018-2019 Follow-up Collection” as things have changed from last year.



HOW TO CONTACT THE NDE HELPDESK

1. Click on the “Helpdesk Request” in the upper right hand corner. This will open your email to send your question to the NDE Helpdesk at ADVISERHelp@nebraskacloud.org. Include your full name, organization and a detail description of your question. This email will automatically create a ticket.
2. Send an email directly to: ADVISERHelp@nebraskacloud.org. Include your full name, organization, a detail description of your question, alternate contact and phone number. This email will automatically create a ticket.
3. Call Toll Free: 888-285-0556 – **This is a Voicemail line ONLY.** Leave your full name, organization, call back number and a brief description of your question.

The Helpdesk Request and email to ADVISERHelp@nebraskacloud.org are the fastest ways to get your questions to the Helpdesk. All questions are answered in the order in which they are received.

NDE Bulletins: Past and Present:

Current and past NDE Bulletins can be found at <https://www.education.ne.gov/bulletins>. We will also continue to send the bulletin out via e-mail.



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